

# Feed-in Tariff: Central FIT Register (CFR) User Guide

Part 1: Accessing the CFR and User Management Support

# **Guidance**

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#### Overview:

The Central FIT Register (CFR) is an electronic, web-based system used to manage the Feed-in Tariff (FIT) scheme that Ofgem administers on behalf of the Department of Energy & Climate Change (DECC).

The seven CFR User Guides together provide guidance for Licensed Electricity Suppliers/FIT Licensees on how to use the CFR, for the purposes of the FIT scheme.

This user guide was previously one single document, but was split into seven separate parts in October 2013. The seven sections cover the following areas:

- Part 1. Accessing the CFR and User Management Support (This document)
- Part 2. How to Register an MCS Installation onto the CFR
- Part 3. How to Register a ROO-FIT Installation onto the CFR
- Part 4. How to Search, View and Update Details on the CFR, Reports and Automated Emails
- Part 5. How to Extend an MCS or ROO-FIT Installation on the CFR
- Part 6. Levelisation and the CFR
- Part 7. Switching FIT Installations on the CFR

This document, Part 1, specifically looks at accessing the CFR, the aspects of user management and a summary of the support provided by Ofgem if there are any problems with the CFR.

# Context

The Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change used enabling powers contained in the Energy Act 2008 to introduce a Feed-in Tariff (FIT) scheme in Great Britain. The Feed-in Tariffs (Specified Maximum Capacity and Functions) Order 2010<sup>1</sup> and modifications to Conditions 33 and 34 of the Standard Licence Conditions became effective from 1 April 2010.

The FIT scheme is designed to be available through Licensed Electricity Suppliers and is intended to encourage the uptake of small-scale renewable and low carbon technologies with a total installed capacity up to and including 5MW. The scheme requires certain Licensed Electricity Suppliers to make tariff payments on both the generation and export of renewable and low carbon electricity from accredited installations using photovoltaic, wind, hydro, anaerobic digestion and micro combined heat and power technologies.

# Associated documents

- The Feed-In Tariffs (Specified Maximum Capacity and Functions) Order 2010 <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=feed%20in%20tariff">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=feed%20in%20tariff</a>
- The Feed-In Tariffs Order 2012 http://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=feed%20in%20tariff
- Modifications to Conditions 33 and 34 of the Standard Licence Conditions (as amended)
- <a href="https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/fits-amendment-orders-and-amended-licence-conditions">https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/fits-amendment-orders-and-amended-licence-conditions</a>
- Feed-in Tariffs Scheme: Guidance for renewable installations https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/environmental-programmes/feed-tariff-fit-scheme/applying-feed-tariff/roo-fit
- Feed-in Tariff: Guidance for Licensed Electricity Suppliers
   http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/fits/Info/Pages/Info.aspx
- Renewables and CHP Register User Guide (May 2013)
   <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RCHPreg/Pages/RCHPreg.aspx">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RCHPreg/Pages/RCHPreg.aspx</a>
- Feed-in Tariff: Guidance for Community Organisations and Education Providers

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The FIT Order 2010 has been revoked and replaced by the Feed-in Tariffs Order 2012, referred to in this document as the FIT Order.

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https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/environmental-programmes/feed-tariff-fit-scheme/applying-feed-tariff/benefits-communities-and-schools

- Central FIT Register (CFR): User Guide Part 2 How to Register an MCS Installation onto the CFR
- Central FIT Register (CFR): User Guide Part 3 How to Register a ROO-FIT Installation onto the CFR
- Central FIT Register (CFR): User Guide Part 4 How to Search, View and Update Details on the CFR, Reports and Automated Emails
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All seven parts of the Central FIT Register (CFR) User Guides are available from the Ofgem Website:

https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/central-fit-register-user-guide

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# **Executive Summary**

### **Central FIT Register User Guide**

#### **Documentation**

This user guide is designed to assist Licensed Electricity Suppliers to access and interact with the various functions of the Central FIT Register (CFR).

The CFR is accessible through the Renewable and CHP Register, a common platform that provides access and other functions to support the CFR functionality.

#### **Purpose of the document**

Part 1 is intended as a reference manual to guide users through the functionality of the CFR.

This document specifically covers the following areas:

- How to register an account on the CFR
- How to log into the CFR
- How to create new users on the CFR
- How to edit and set permissions for users
- · How and when to contact the CFR team with queries

If you have any queries with regards to the CFR or the user guides please contact the CFR Team (FITRegister@ofgem.gov.uk).

#### **Updates to this document**

April 2014: To update renaming of part 4

January 2015: Update to switching in sections 2.8, 3.12, 3.20

# 1. Creating an account on the Central FIT Register

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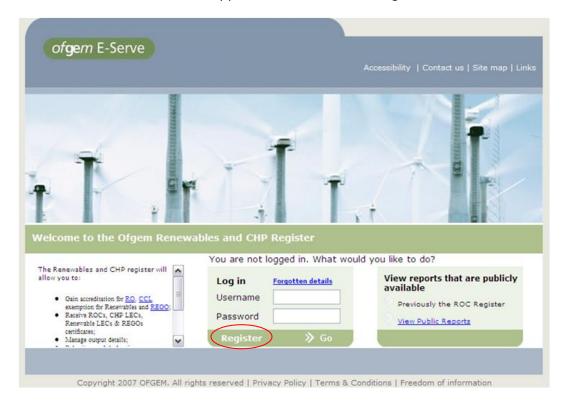
Describes the registration and login procedures for becoming a licensed electricity supplier user and accessing the CFR.

## The Central FIT Register and the Renewables & CHP Register

- 1.1. The FIT scheme like the Renewables Obligation and other renewable schemes administered by Ofgem, utilises the Renewables and CHP Register as a common platform to provide access and other functions to support the CFR operation.
- 1.2. The CFR is accessible via the Ofgem Renewable and CHP Register. This can be accessed via the following link: <a href="https://www.renewablesandchp.ofgem.gov.uk/">https://www.renewablesandchp.ofgem.gov.uk/</a>.

## **How to Register**

1.3. In order to register as a FIT super-user, the first step is to click on the *Register* link which will take the applicant to the account registration screen.



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1.4. On the account registration screen click on Continue.



1.5. On the following screen select the *A Supplier* option by clicking on the radio button and click *Submit*.



1.6. On the next screen select the option to confirm if you are a new or existing supplier.



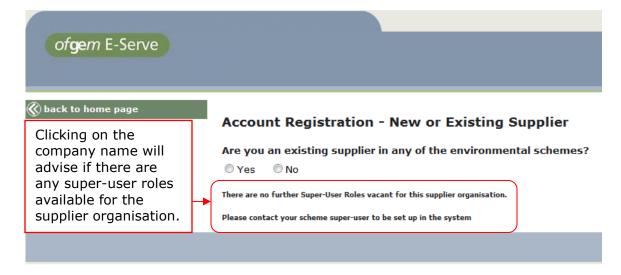
- 1.7. Select *Yes* if you are an existing supplier in any of the environmental schemes (move to <u>1.8.</u> of this document for more information) or select *No* if you are a new supplier (move to <u>1.16.</u> of this document for more information).
- 1.8. If Yes is selected you will be asked to enter your *Company name*. Then click on *Search*.



1.9. If you are an existing supplier your company name should appear as shown below. Click on your company name.



1.10. Clicking on your company name should confirm if there are any super-user roles vacant for the supplier organisation. If there are no super-user roles vacant please discuss within your organisation who your current super-users are. If you require a change to your FIT super-user please contact the FIT Team (FITRegister@ofgem.gov.uk).



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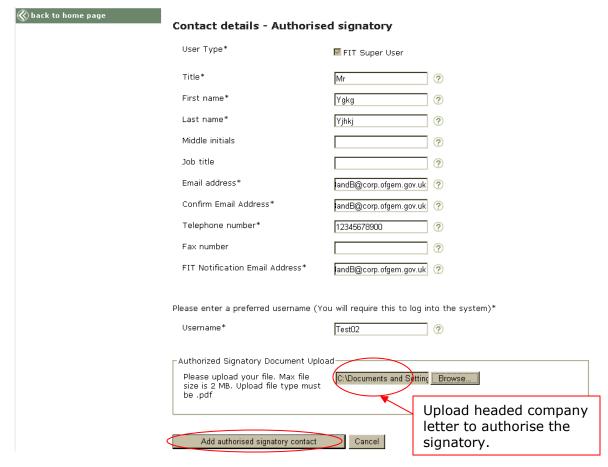
1.11. If there is a FIT super-user role vacant, clicking on your company name should bring up the following screen. Complete your supplier organisation details and click on *Next*. Fields marked with \* are mandatory.

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	Supplier organisation	
	* fields are mandatory	
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	Address*	Ofgem ?
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		?
	Town/City*	LONDON ?
	County	?
	Country*	Please select
	Postcode*	SW1P 3GE
	Telephone number	?
	Fax number	?
	Next Cancel	

- 1.12. Complete the authorised signatory contact details of the person who will become the super-user. Note, that there can only be one FIT super-user per organisation and a company letter needs to be uploaded as evidence to support the registration. This should be a headed letter (using the Ofgem template<sup>2</sup>) and must be signed by the company director, authorising the 'authorised signatory' to use the CFR.
- 1.13. Click on Add authorised signatory contact.

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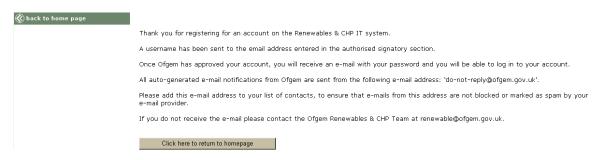
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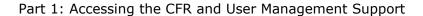


1.14. A confirmation screen will appear. Please read the confirmation statement and then choose *Confirm*.

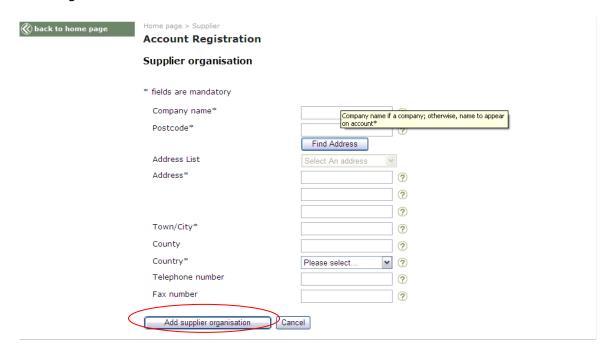


1.15. An email with the account username will be sent to the authorised signatory. Once approved by Ofgem (usually within 1 working day), the password details will be sent via a second email communication and the authorised signatory will then be able to log into the account.



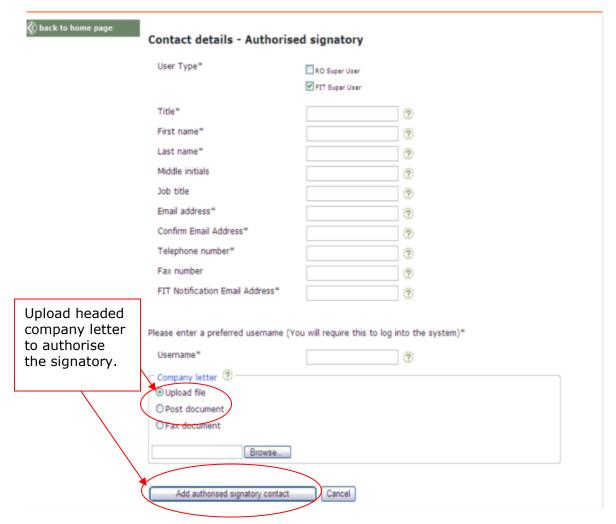


1.16. If No is selected at line 1.7. above fill in the details i.e. company name and postal address (\* denotes mandatory fields) and then click on Add supplier organisation.



- 1.17. Fill in the authorised signatory contact details of the person who will become the super-user and choose the option *FIT Super User* by selecting the tick box. Note, that there can only be one FIT super-user per organisation and a company letter needs to be uploaded as evidence to support the registration. This should be a headed letter (using the Ofgem template<sup>3</sup>) and must be signed by the company director, authorising the 'authorised signatory' to use the CFR.
- 1.18. Click on Add authorised signatory contact.

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1.19. A confirmation screen will appear. Please read the confirmation statement and then choose *Confirm*.



1.20. Fill in the following licence details screen, entering the licence company registration number, license name, license type (from drop down) and effective from date. Choose the scheme option (FIT plus any others) and then click *Submit*.

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🔇 back to home page	Licence Details * fields are mandatory	
	Licence company registration number*	②
	Licence Name*	②
	Licence type*	Please select   ?
	Licence effective from date*	?
	In which schemes would you like to participate?*	□ ccl
		□ CCL CHP
		□ <u>RO</u>
		REGO
	Submit Cancel Registration	□ EII

1.21. After submission click *Continue* if you wish to add another licence or click *Finish* to complete the registration.

back to home page	Licence Details
	The licence details have been successfully added. Please click the continue button to add another licence or click finish to complete registration  Continue >> Finish

1.22. An email with the account username will be sent to the authorised signatory. Once approved by Ofgem (usually within 1 working day), the password details will be sent via a second email communication and the authorised signatory will then be able to log into the account.

🔇 back to home page	Home page > Thank you
	Thank you for registering for an account on the Renewables & CHP IT system.
	A username has been sent to the email address entered in the authorised signatory section.
	Once Ofgem has approved your account, you will receive an e-mail with your password and you will be able to log in to your account.
	All auto-generated e-mail notifications from Ofgem are sent from the following e-mail address: 'do-not-reply@ofgem.gov.uk'.
	Please add this e-mail address to your list of contacts, to ensure that e-mails from this address are not blocked or marked as spam by your e-mail provider.
	If you do not receive the e-mail please contact the Ofgem Renewables & CHP Team at renewable@ofgem.gov.uk.
	Click here to return to homepage

# 2. Accessing the CFR

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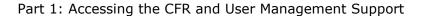
Provides guidance for users with regard to logging into their account, what to do if a password is forgotten and details of the functionality that will be available.

## Logging into your account

- 2.1. In order to log in as a user you will need the username entered during the registration process and the password that you have received by email from Ofgem (unless you have already changed it). If you are a super-user this will have been sent to you following the account set-up as explained in chapter 1. If you are a normal user this will be sent to you following the creation of your access by the super-user (or someone with the appropriate permissions) as explained in chapter 3.
- 2.2. Enter your username and password on the login screen and click on Go.

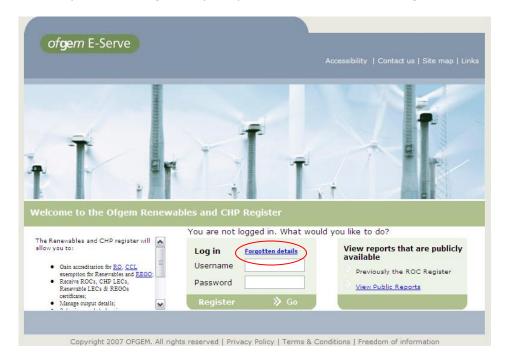


2.3. As with the existing Renewables and CHP Register, users are advised NOT to use their web browser's back button when accessing the CFR.



### Forgotten details

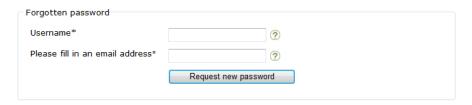
2.4. If you have forgotten your password, click on the Forgotten details link.



2.5. On the forgotten password screen enter your username and email address. Both fields are mandatory and click on *Request new password*.

#### Forgotten password

If you have forgotten your password please complete the details in the forgotten password section below, and a new password will be emailed to you.



2.6. The below message will be displayed and you will receive a new password sent to the email address provided.

#### Forgotten password

Your details have been sent successfully

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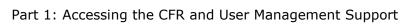
# **Central FIT Register Home Page**

2.7. Following a successful login a range of tabs will be available to licensed electricity supplier super-users at the top of the screen including 'My Account', 'FIT – Levelisation' and 'FIT'



2.8. If you are also a FIT Licensee, at the beginning of the FIT year Ofgem will ensure you have all the appropriate access to carry out your duties. This will include the addition of 'Reports' and 'FIT – Switching' for the FIT super-user. The FIT Super will also have the ability to create new users and assign permissions to them accordingly.





# 3. User Management

#### **Chapter Summary**

Provides guidance for CFR super-users and normal users with regard to creating, editing and setting permissions for users and their organisation.

## **User Account Management on the CFR**

#### **Accessing User Management Functions**

- 3.1. To access user management functions, the user must be a *super-user* or have *Add User* permissions delegated to them by their organisational super-user.
- 3.2. Click on the *My Account* link. This will display a range of options on the vertical menu. Please note that some of these are available to the super-user only (super-users will have all tabs as displayed below and normal users will just have some of these depending on the permissions they have been given).

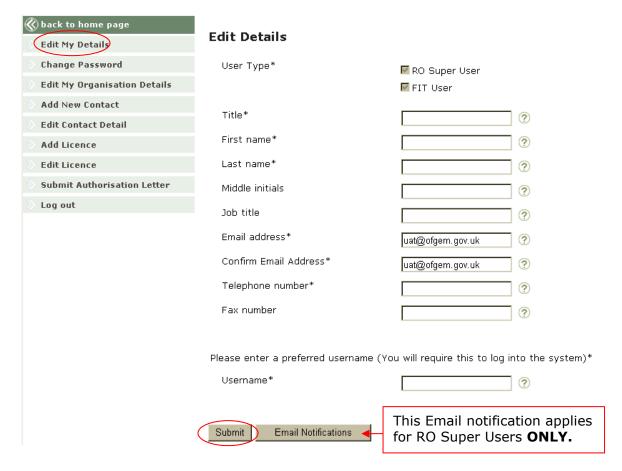


#### **Account Details**

#### **Editing Your Details**

- 3.3. To edit your details including updates to contact details and username click on Edit My Details and make the amendments you require (please be aware all fields marked with \* are mandatory). Once satisfied with the changes made click Submit.
- 3.4. If you are the allocated RO super-user and no other user has been allocated as the FIT super-user, please provide the CFR team with the appropriate letter of

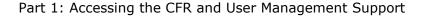
authorisation as explained in chapter 1 and we will add the FIT super-user permissions to your account.



#### **Changing your Password**

- 3.5. To change your password click on *Change Password*. Users are required to enter their user name and current password before being able to enter a new password. Re-confirmation of the new password is required before clicking *Change password*.
- 3.6. All passwords must contain at least 9 characters there must be at least one digit, a lowercase letter and an uppercase letter.

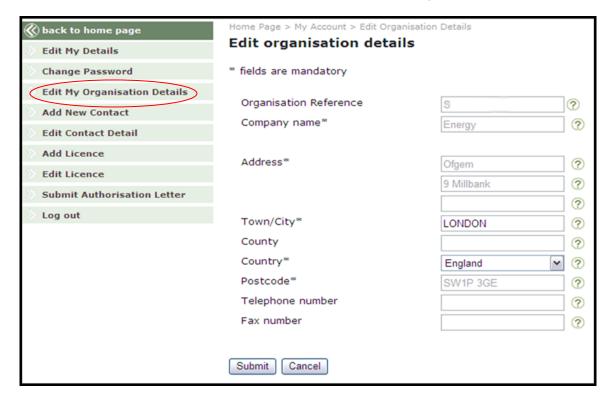




# **Organisation Details**

#### **Editing Organisation Details**

3.7. If any amendments are required to the organisational details they can be made by selecting the *Edit My Organisation Details* link. Enter any amendments to the details on this screen, and select *Submit* when completed.



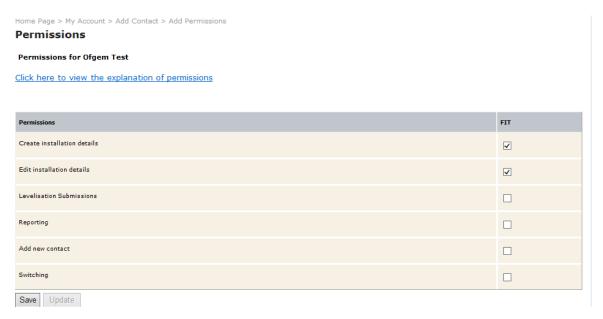
## **New and Existing Contacts**

#### **Adding New Contacts**

- 3.8. To create a new user or contact, select the *Add New Contact* link. Select the user type, either Renewable Obligation (RO) or Feed in Tariff (FIT).
- 3.9. Please note that the super-user can only select user types for the schemes they administer. Therefore an RO super-user cannot create a FIT user and vice versa. Where a user is a super-user for the FIT and RO, then both user types can be selected.
- 3.10. The mandatory fields are indicated by a \* symbol.
- 3.11. Once the contact details have been entered, please add a username (this can be an email address) and click *Submit*.



3.12. A screen to allocate user permissions for the CFR now appears. Check the boxes for the permissions required for the user.



3.13. The different permissions refer to the following actions:

Permission	Description
Create installation details	Allows the user to register a new FIT installation
Edit installation details	Allows the user to edit an existing FIT installation
Levelisation submissions	Allows the user to submit data for the Levelisation
	process
Reporting	Allows the user to access FIT related reports

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Add new contact	Allows the user to create a new contact (with default
	permissions only)
Switching	Allows the user to perform switching requests.

- 3.14. The default settings for a new FIT user are to enable the following permissions:
  - Create installation details
  - Edit installation details
- 3.15. After selecting the appropriate permission for the new contact, the user is requested to enter their username and confirm their password:



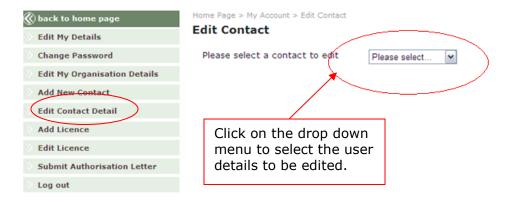
3.16. A confirmation message will appear confirming that the new contact has been successfully added. Click the *Continue* button to return to the user management home page:



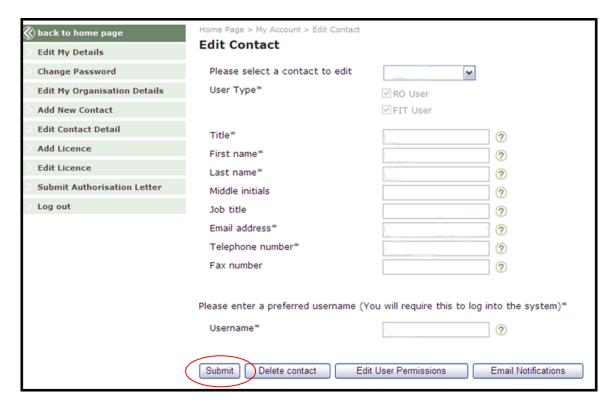
3.17. An email will be sent to the new user confirming their account has been setup.

#### **How to Edit Contact Details**

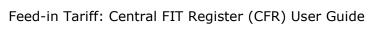
3.18. To edit an existing contact (user), select the *Edit Contact Detail* link. A drop down list of users will then appear. Select the required user to display the details screen.



3.19. Make the required amendments to the contacts details click on the *Submit* button.



3.20. If the user's permissions need to be amended click on *Edit User Permissions* and select the required boxes. Click on *Update*.



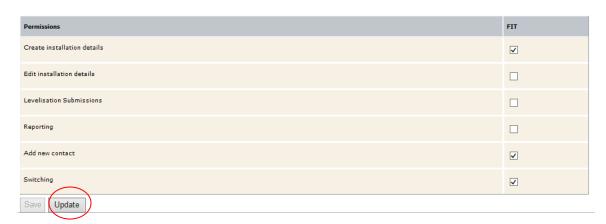
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Home Page > My Account > Add Contact > Add Permissions

Permissions

Permissions for Ofgem Test

Click here to view the explanation of permissions



3.21. Click on the *Continue* button which will bring you back to your home page.

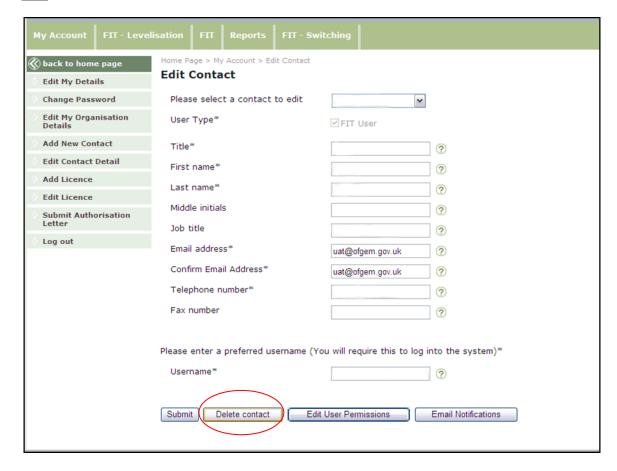
#### **Edit Contact**

Thank you, your details have been changed



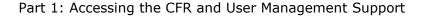
#### **Deleting a Contact**

3.22. A contact can also be deleted. In order to delete a contact, click on the *Delete* contact button. This should be done as soon as a contact no longer needs access to the CFR and especially if they leave the organisation.



3.23. A message to say 'The contact has been successfully deleted' will appear to confirm the action has been completed.





#### **Licence Details**

#### How to Add a New Licence

3.24. Select the Add Licence link and add the details of the company registration number, the new licence name, licence type (from the drop down), effective from date and select FIT (plus any other schemes as applicable). The fields marked with \* are mandatory.



3.25. Select the scheme.

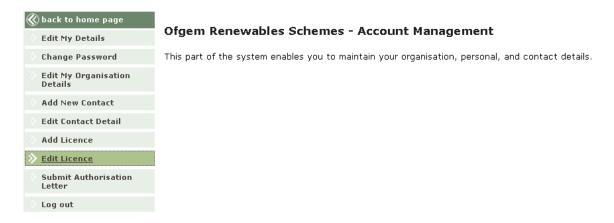


- 3.26. The License Type is uneditable and defaults to *Non FIT Licensee*. This is amended by Ofgem as part of the Levelisation process.
- 3.27. A confirmation message appears stating that the license has been successfully added.



#### **How to Edit Licence Details**

3.28. Select the Edit Licence link to edit details of a new licence.



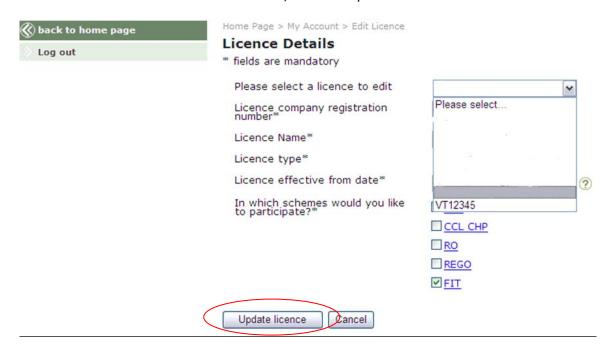
3.29. Select the license to be edited and make the required amendments.

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3.30. After the licence has been edited, click on *Update Licence*.



3.31. A message to say 'The license details have been successfully updated' will appear to confirm the action has been completed.

#### **Licence Details**

The licence details have been successfully updated.

Please note that if you have selected CCL or CCL CHP and have not already informed HMRC of your intention to participate in the CCL exemption for CCL / CCL CHP scheme then you may not be eligible for the exemption from the Climate Change Levy for supplies of renewable source or CHP source electricity.

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# 4. System availability and support

#### **Chapter Summary**

Provides details of system availability and the support provided by Ofgem to assist licensed electricity suppliers when accessing and using the CFR.

## **Contacting the CFR Team**

- 4.1. Between the hours of 10.00 and 16.00 Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays and between Christmas and New Year) email support will be provided via the <a href="fitted:FITRegister@ofgem.gov.uk">FITRegister@ofgem.gov.uk</a> email address by the Central FIT Register Team within Environmental Programmes. This support will cover both operational and technical issues. Examples of this support include:
  - Access issues;
  - · General enquiries;
  - Change Requests; or
  - Errors with the CFR.

# **System availability**

- 4.2. If the CFR is planned to be down for maintenance work a message will be put on the log-in page of the register and CFR Users will also be informed by email 5 working days in advance.
- 4.3. If the CFR becomes unavailable for a prolonged period then Ofgem will invoke a number of contingency measures and CFR users will be informed by email.